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October 22, 2007

CC Docket No. 02-6 - Request for Waiver

Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary **Federal Communications Commission** Office of the Secretary 445 12th Street, SW Washington, DC 20554

Dear Secretary Dortch,

I am writing to request a waiver of the filing deadline for Form 471. Below is the relevant application information:

Appellent name: Burnet Cons Indep Sch District Applicant name: Burnet Cons Indep Sch District

BEN: 141694

Application number 572799 as assigned by USAC

Funding Year 2007 Form 471 Postmarked Outside of Window Letter,"

Through a series of miscommunications and misunderstandings the best efforts of the previous Technology Director and myself have resulted in two erroneous filings for an extension of this deadline.

First, my predecessor filed what he believed to be an extension of the deadline and waited for a response that never came. When I discovered this mistake, I finished the application, and waited for my "Postmarked Outside of Window Letter."

When the "Postmarked Outside of Window Letter" came, it included instructions for filing an appeal, which I followed. The response to my appeal was that USAC does not grant waivers and that in fact, I needed to file an appeal with the FCC.

I have included the fax sent from my predecessor requesting a deadline extension, the "Postmarked Outside of Window Letter" that instructed me to file my appeal with USAC and the email sent as a letter of appeal from myself to the USAC appeals address.

I realize I am now outside of the 60 day window for filing an appeal, but it is my hope that you will see how a new Technology Director might have been confused by the wording of the letter. I also hope that the intent of the program can be realized for Burnet CISD in spite of errors of technicality.

I appreciate your consideration and any assistance you might offer regarding this application.

Sincerely,

Shannon Stewart **Technology Director** 512-715-5119 sstewart@burnet.txed.net ******** TX REPORT ********

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From: Stewart, Shannon

Sent: Saturday, September 29, 2007 8:45 PM

To: 'appeals@sl.universalservice.org'

Subject: Letter of Appeal **Attachments:** 0504_001.pdf

Appellent name: Burnet Cons Indep Sch District Applicant name: Burnet Cons Indep Sch District

BEN: 141694

Application number 572799 as assigned by USAC

Funding Year 2007 Form 471 Postmarked Outside of Window Letter,"

I would like to appeal the decision to hold our application pending final review of those applications that were filed within the filing window. I would like to ask that our application be reviewed with those applications that were filed within the filing window.

Our previous Technology Director made an error on the application before submitting and was unable to determine the procedure for correcting the problem. He mistakenly filed what he believed to be an extension and waited for a response that never came. I became Technology Director on July 1st and discovered the incomplete application. Between July 1st and 24th, I determined the source of the error, gathered the necessary information and completed the application in an effort of good faith on behalf of the school district.

I have attached a copy of the fax that the previous director sent thinking he had submitted an extension.

Shannon Stewart Network Administrator Burnet CISD 512-715-5119

This email contains the thoughts and opinions of Shannon Stewart and does not represent official Burnet CISD policy.



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FUNDING YEAR 2007 FORM 471 POSTMARKED OUTSIDE OF WINDOW

August 1, 2007

Shannon Stewart BURNET CONS INDEP SCH DISTRICT 208 E BRIER LN BURNET, TX 78611-2512

Re: Applicant's Form Identifier: BCISD-Y7-471 Form 471 Application Number: 572799

Dear Shannon Stewart:

We're sending this letter to thank you for your recent Form 471 application. Ye Form 471 application was postmarked on 07/24/2007, which is AFTER the 2007-2008 filing window closed at 11:59 p.m. EST on Thursday, February 8, 2007.

Program rules require us to hold your application pending final review of those applications that were filed within the filing window. We will post an announcement on the USAC website at www.usac.org/sl once we determine if funding applications that were submitted within the application filing window will fully utilize all the funds available for this Funding Year.

For more information about the processing of pending applications, about funding for applications filed after the close of the filing window or about plans for future Funding Years, please visit our website or call the Client Service Bureau at 1-888-203-8100.

TO APPEAL THIS DECISION:

If you wish to appeal a decision indicated in this letter, your appeal must be received by USAC or postmarked within 60 days of the date of this letter. Failure to meet this requirement will result in automatic dismissal of your appeal. In your letter of appeal:

- 1. Include the name, address, telephone number, fax number, and (if available) email address for the person who can most readily discuss this appeal with us.
- State outright that your letter is an appeal. Include the following to identify the decision letter and the decision you are appealing:
 - Appellant name,
 - Applicant name,
 - BEN,

 - Application number 572799 as assigned by USAC,
 "Funding Year 2007 Form 471 Postmarked Outside of Window Letter,"
 - The exact text or the decision that you are appealing.
- 3. Please keep your letter to the point, and provide documentation to support your appeal. Be sure to keep a copy of your entire appeal, including any correspondence and documentation.
- 4. If you are an applicant, please provide a copy of your appeal to the service provider(s) affected by USAC's decision. If you are a service provider, please

provide a copy of your appeal to the applicant(s) affected by USAC's decision.

5. Provide an authorized signature on your letter of appeal.

To submit your appeal to USAC by email, email to appeals@sl.universalservice.org. USAC will automatically reply to incoming emails to confirm receipt.

To submit your appeal to us by fax, fax your appeal to (973)599-6542.

To submit your appeal to us on paper, send your appeal to:

Letter of Appeal Schools and Libraries Division - Correspondence Unit 100 South Jefferson Road P.O. Box 902 Whippany, NJ 07981

You have the option of filing an appeal with USAC or with the Federal Communications Commission (FCC). You should refer to CC Docket No. 02-6 on the first page of your appeal to the FCC. Your appeal must be received by the FCC or postmarked within 60 days of the above date on this letter. Failure to meet this requirement will result in automatic dismissal of your appeal. We strongly recommend that you use the electronic filing options described in the "Appeals Procedure" posted on our website. If you are submitting your appeal via United States Postal Service, send to: FCC, Office of the Secretary, 445 12th Street SW, Washington, DC 20554.

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